IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/660,563 Examiner: Lesniewski, Victor D Filed: September 12, 2000 Group/Art Unit: 2152 Inventor: Atty. Dkt. No: 5181-64900 Gregory L. Slaughter, et al. Title: Mechanism and Apparatus for Accessing and Addressing Services in a Distributed Computing Environment

REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111 IN RESPONSE TO NEW GROUND OF REJECTION IN DECISION ON APPEAL

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the new ground of rejection raised in the Decision on Appeal of September 10, 2009. Pursuant to CFR 41.50(d)(1), Applicants request that prosecution of the present application be reopened.

Please amend the case as listed below.